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SUBJ: SPECIAL UNGA SESSION: JAPANESE CONSULTATIONS

1. PERMREPS SAITO AND AMB OGISO CALLED ON AMB SCALI APRIL 5 TO DISCUSS UNGA SPECIAL SESSION. AMB SAITO OUTLINED STATEMENT TO BE DELIVERED BY HEAD OF JAPANESE DELEGATION APRIL 10. STATEMENT, A COPY OF WHICH WILL BE GIVEN TO USUN APRIL 8, CONTAINS SOME EIGHT POINTS. THEY ARE: (1) EFFECT OF OIL PRICES ON JAPAN AND LDGS; (2) PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES; (3) UN ROLE, WITH SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO DATA COLLECTION FUNCTIONS OF COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; (4) REVOLVING FUND FOR NATURAL RESOURCES; (5) UN UNIVERSITY; (6) COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, INCLUDING CONTENTION GOJ TO INVITE COMMITTEE TO MEET NEXT IN TOKYO; (7) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UN CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF EMINENT PERSON ON RESOURCES AND RAW MATERIALS; (SEE SEPTTEL). (8) NEED FOR EXPANSION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR  
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LDC; (9) COMMENDING LIBERAL TRADE CONCEPTS AND PRACTICES;

AND (10) INTERNATIONAL MONETARY ARRANGEMENTS.

2. AMB SCALI THAN OUTLINED THE US POSITION ON THE SESSION, INDICATING THAT THE USG CONTEMPLATED NO INITIATIVES, HOPED FOR A CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE WHICH WOULD SET A CONSTRUCTIVE TONE FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE MANIFOLD, TECHNICAL ISSUES WHICH WOULD ARISE, AND OUTLINED HIS IMPRESSIONS OF THE G-77 DOCUMENTATION. SCALI TOLD THE JAPANESE THAT THERE ARE SEVERAL ISSUES IN THE DRAFT DOCUMENTATION THAT CAUSED DIFFICULTIES FOR US: (1) LANGUAGE EXTOLLING PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS; (2) THE LINK BETWEEN THE PRICES OF RAW MATERIALS AND MANUFACTURES; (3) PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES; AND (4) THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE UN SYSTEM IN AREAS WHERE IT HAD ONLY MARGINAL AUTHORITY AND CONTROL. IN THE LATTER CONNECTION, HE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED THE DANGERS INVOLVED IN ATTEMPTING TO IMPOSE GA POLITICAL SOLUTIONS ON COMPLEX, ON-GOING TECHNICAL MONETARY NEGOTIATIONS. POSITIVELY, SCALI SAID THAT THE SPECIAL SESSION SHOULD PRODUCE GENERALIZED GUIDE LINES FOR ESTABLISHED UN FAMILY BODIES ALREADY GRAPPLING WITH ISSUES WHICH WILL BE BEFORE THE UNGA. FINALLY, SCALI EXPRESSED HOPE THAT SPECIAL SESSION WOULD NOT UNDERMINE ON-GOING NEGOTIATIONS ON MEXICAN CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES.

3. AMB SAITO INQUIRED WETHER THE US WOULD SPECIFICALLY MENTION IN ITS PLENARY STATEMENT THE PROBLEMS ARISING FROM OIL PRICE INCREASE. HE HASTENED TO ADD THE JAPANESE STATEMENT WOULD TOUCH ON THE OIL CRISES, BUT TO EXPLAIN ITS REPERCUSSIONS AND NOT TO PROPOSE SOLUTIONS. AMB SCALI AGREED THAT THIS WAS THE RIGHT TACK, AND THAT THE US STATEMENT WOULD PROBABLY ALSO HAVE A SECTION DESCRIBING OUR VIEW OF THE REPERCUSSIONS ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND EFFECTS ON LDGS OF THE QUADRUPLING OF OIL PRICES.

4. AMB OGISO THEN TOUCHED ON PROCEDURES AND TACTICS OF THE SESSION, SOLICITING OUR VIEW OF APPROPRIATENESS OF THE G-77 PROPOSAL THAT SUBSTANTIVE WORK OF THE SESSION BE HANDLE IN ONE OR MORE COMMITTEES OF THE WHOLE. AMB SCALI RESPONDED

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THAT, ALTHOUGH WE WOULD HAVE PREFERRED WORKING IN TRADITIONAL ASSEMBLY COMITTEES, WE ACCEPTED THE INEVITABILITY THAT G-77 PROPOSAL WOULD BE ADOPTED. HE ALSO, IN RESPONSE TO OGISO'S QUESTION, INDICATED THAT WE ASSUMED THAT THE BASIC DOCUMENTATION OF THE SESSION WOULD BE THE G-77'S WORKING PAPERS, THE PLAN OF ACTION AND DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES. OGISO FINALLY SAID THAT THE GOJ WAS CONCERNED REGARDING LEGAL STATUS, AND RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING UN

AGREEMENTS SUCH AS IDS, OF ANY RESOLUTIONS OR DOCUMENTS WHICH SESSION MIGHT APPROVE. WE AGREED THAT THIS KEY ISSUE WHICH ASSEMBLY MUST ADDRESS.

5. AMB SAITO ASKED WHETHER WE ARE AWARE OF THE POSSIBILITY, SUGGESTED IN BRUSSELS, THAT THERE MIGHT BE PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS DURING THE SESSION BETWEEN OIL PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS. AMB SCALI RESPONDED THAT WE ARE AWARE OF OPEC PLANS TO MEET IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE APRIL 9 UNGA, BUT WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY FORMAL PLANS FOR PRODUCERS-CONSUMERS TALKS IN NY DURING THE ASSEMBLY. HE REITERATED NEED TO PURSUE PROCESS STARTED WITH WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE.

6. AMB SCALI ENDED THE ONE-HOUR SESSION BY INDICATING OUR DESIRE TO CONTINUE CLOSE CONSULTATIONS WITH THE JAPANESE ON THE SPECIAL SESSION.  
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